



AF-1 3700

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT
AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Malackowski et al.

Serial No.: 09/764,609

Filed: January 17, 2001

For: SURGERY SYSTEM

Group Art Unit: 3739

Attorney Docket No.: 29997/035A

Examiner: John P. Leubecker

Certificate of Mailing

I hereby certify that this paper is being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail in an envelope addressed to Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this date:

April 5, 2004

J. William Frank III
Registration No. 25,626
Attorney for Applicant(s)

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL ACTION

Mail Stop AF
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RECEIVED
APR 16 2004
TECHNOLOGY CENTER R3700

Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Office action dated February 4, 2004, please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims at pages 2 through 11 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.